IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
APPELLATE SIDE

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 1492 OF 2007

Vasantrao Sambhaji Gundal. ... Petitioner.

V/s.

State of Maharashtra. ... Respondent.

Sureshchandra R. Bhosale for the applicant.

K.V.Saste, APP for the State.

CORAM: V.C.DAGA, J.

DATED: 9th July 2007.

P.C.:

. Heard learned counsel for the applicant and learned A.P.P. for the State.

2. This application is made by the applicant for anticipatory bail in second round. Earlier the application was moved by the applicant through his advocate before the Sessions Judge, Pune which came to be rejected. The applicant is charged for the offences punishable under sections 467, 468, 471 read with section 34 of the Indian Penal Code vide C.R.No.39/2007 registered with Khed Police Station, Dist.Pune. Apprehending arrest by the police, the applicant has approached this Court.

3. The learned counsel for the applicant submits that the entire matter is nothing but a civil dispute and that the investigation is complete, as such applicant should be granted anticipatory bail. He further submits that custodial investigation is not necessary in the facts and circumstances of the case. The learned A.P.P. appearing for the State submits that the investigation is complete and no further investigation is necessary. He, however, submits that in the circumstances, if at all, the Court decides to grant bail to the applicant, then the applicant should be directed to co-operate with the investigating agency.

4. Having heard both parties, having seen the nature of offence and the allegations made, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail in favour of the applicant on the following terms and conditions:

(a) that in the event of arrest of the applicant in connection with C.R.No.39/2007 registered with Khed Police Station, Dist. Pune, he shall be released on bail of Rs.50,000/- with one or two sureties to make the said amount.

(b) that the applicant shall not contact the witnesses of the prosecution until the trial is over and shall not pressurise them.

(c) that the applicant shall report to the Khed Police Station once in 15 days, i.e., on first and third Mondays of the month between 4.00 to 5.00 p.m. It would be open for the investigating agency to summon the applicant, if necessary, on any other date other than the dates mentioned herein.

. Application stands disposed of accordingly.

JUDGE